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FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS ANGOLA VERIFICATION MISSION

Report of the Fifth Committee (Part II)

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The previous recommendations made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 131 appear in the Committee's report (A/45/882).

2. At its 65th and 66th meetings, on 12 and 13 August 1991, the Fifth Committee considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission II (A/45/1028) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/45/1043).

3. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of this item are reflected in the relevant summary records (see A/C.5/45/SR.65 and 66).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.5/45/L.34

4. At its 66th meeting, on 13 August, the representative of Ireland introduced a draft resolution (A/C.5/45/L.34).

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/45/L.34 without a vote (see para. 7).

6. After the adoption of the draft resolution the representatives of Angola and Japan made statements (see A/C.5/45/SR.66).

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

7. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission 1/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 2/

Bearing in mind Security Council resolution 626 (1988) of 20 December 1988, by which the Council established the United Nations Angola Verification Mission, as well as Council resolution 696 (1991) of 30 May 1991, by which the Council decided to entrust a new mandate to the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (henceforth United Nations Angola Verification Mission II) and to establish the mission for a period of seventeen months,

Noting that the Secretary-General's budgetary estimate for the Mission as contained in his report amounts to 122,621,900 United States dollars (121,416,000 dollars net) for the seventeen-month mandate period,

Reaffirming that the costs of the Verification Mission are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recalling its previous decisions regarding the fact that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by the Verification Mission, a different procedure is required from the one applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

Taking into account the fact that the economically more-developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less-developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such an operation,

Bearing in mind the special responsibilities of the States permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of such operations,

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1/ A/45/1028.

2/ A/45/1043.

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Verification Mission with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolution of the Security Council,

1. Concurs with the observations, recommendations and conclusions contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 2/ and requests the Secretary-General, as part of his report on the financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission II to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session, to report on measures taken in response;

2. Urges all Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the United Nations Angola Verification Mission in full and on time;

3. Decides to continue to use the existing special account, established for the United Nations Angola Verification Mission in accordance with General Assembly resolution 43/231 of 16 February 1989, for the United Nations Angola Verification Mission II beginning on 1 June 1991;

4. Decides also to appropriate to the Special Account an amount of 49,467,000 United States dollars gross, inclusive of the amount of 10,000,000 dollars authorized by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions under the terms of General Assembly resolution 44/203 of 21 December 1989, for the operation of the Verification Mission for the period from 1 June to 31 December 1991;

5. Decides further, as an ad hoc arrangement, to apportion the amount of 49,467,000 dollars gross for the above-mentioned period among Member States in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolution 44/192 B of 21 December 1989, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the years 1989, 1990 and 1991; 3/

6. Decides that in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment of Member States, as provided for in paragraph 5 of the present resolution, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 334,100 dollars approved for the period from 1 June to 31 December 1991, inclusive;

7. Decides also, having reviewed its decision as contained in paragraph 3 of resolution 45/246 of 21 December 1990 in the light of paragraphs 10 and 23 of the report of the Advisory Committee, that there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 5 of the present resolution, their respective share in the projected

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3/ See resolutions 43/223 and 45/256 B.

surplus of 1,421,658 dollars gross (1,351,258 dollars net) for the period from 3 January 1989 to 31 May 1991, inclusive;

8. Decides further that Liechtenstein shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (b) of General Assembly resolution 43/232;

9. Decides that Namibia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (d) of General Assembly resolution 43/232;

10. Invites voluntary contributions to the Verification Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure established by the General Assembly in its resolution 44/192 A of 21 December 1989;

11. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-sixth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission".